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For: METHOD OF INFORMING PILOT OF AIRCRAFT OF SPARK DETECTED IN GAS TURBINE ENGINE	) Charlie Le )

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT BASED ON FAILURE TO RECEIVE OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicants' attorneys respectfully petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181(a) because the Applicants did not receive the last Office Action date mailed 03/17/2006 until long after the time permitted to respond to the Office Action.

The last Office Action date mailed 03/17/2006 was not mailed to the correct address, that of the assignee. This Office Action is a restriction requirement having a shortened statutory period of reply of not longer than one month. This

Office Action was mailed to the Proctor and Gamble Company (P&G) which has a mailing address in Cincinnati as does the assignee, the General Electric Company (GE). The Office. Action was received in Central Docketing of P&G as evidenced by a date stamp on the first page of the Office Action, a copy of which is attached hereto and labelled as EXHIBIT A. March 20, 2006 is the date stamped by P&G.

The Office Action was forwarded to GE many months later after the statutory period had expired and more than 6 months after the mailing date of the Office Action as evidenced by a copy of an electronic docket record where the non-received Office Action communication would have been entered and docketed in a timely fashion had it been received in a timely fashion. This electronic docket record is attached hereto and labelled as EXHIBIT B. GE had no way of knowing that this Office Action and its restriction requirement had been issued. The assignee's patent attorney, Steven J. Rosen, attests that a search of an electronic file folder summary which is the equivalent of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Office Action communication was not received. A copy of the electronic file folder summary titled Folder Content and labelled as EXHIBIT C is attached hereto.

The assignee's patent attorney, Steven J. Rosen, is filing a Response to the Office Action contemporaneously with this Petition and requests that the Response be entered and that no additional fees be required of the assignee to continue examination of this case. A Power of Attorney for Steven. J. Rosen is also submitted herewith.

It is submitted, therefore, that on the basis described above, the abandonment should be withdrawn because the Applicants did not receive the last Office Action until long

after the time permitted to respond to the Office Action had passed, the enclosed Response to Restriction Requirement should be entered, and examination of the Application be continued.

Respectfully submitted,

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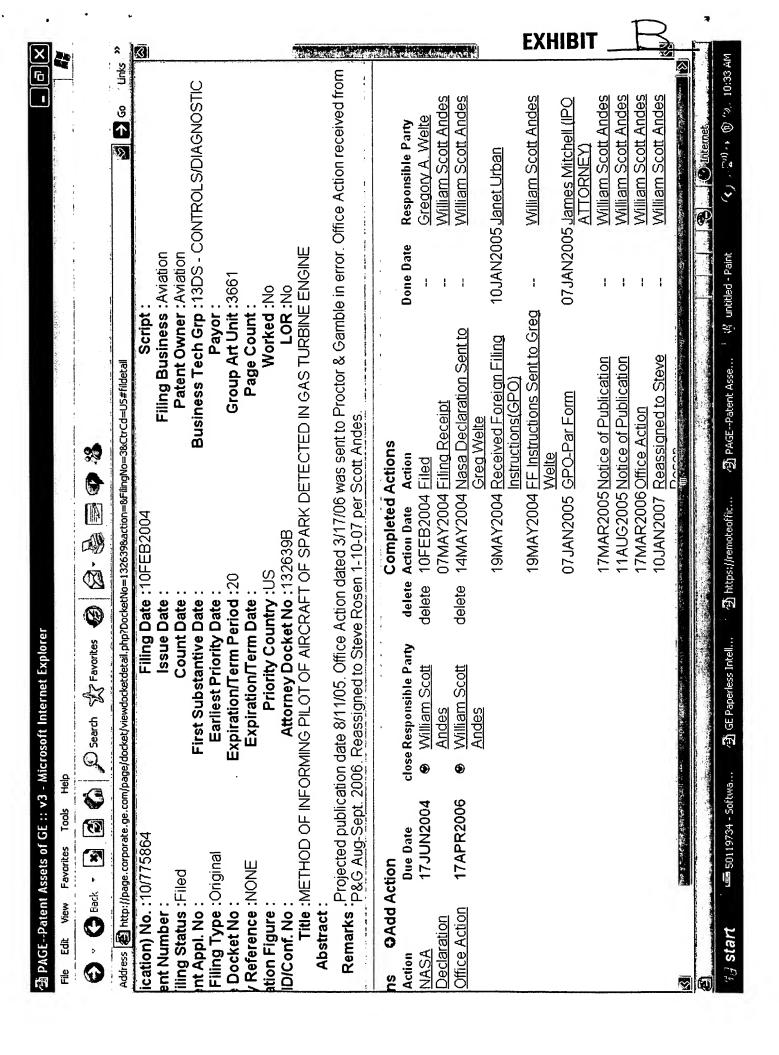
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